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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Around 6 years ago I made a conscious move to get away from AT&T by signing up with Sonic in Richmond, CA. I did it because even then I was tired of the way AT&T did business. Although I am still on DSL through copper lines, the business aspect of Sonic is much better than it was with AT&T. I was able to move not only my internet but my telephone.

AT&T etc. aren't satisfied with their dominance. They want it ALL. They are supporting moves to entirely wipe out the small competitive ISP. I like the idea of competition everywhere in the business world.

Broadband is necessary for me to be able to manage my personal assets and for communication. I don't use it to stream movies or get TV though one or both of those may be in my future.

When I moved from AT&T some 6 years ago, I had CHOICE. Since then I have encouraged a few others to make the same move and they, too, are pleased. I hope that the FCC will do the right thing and support competition, possibly encourage more of it.

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